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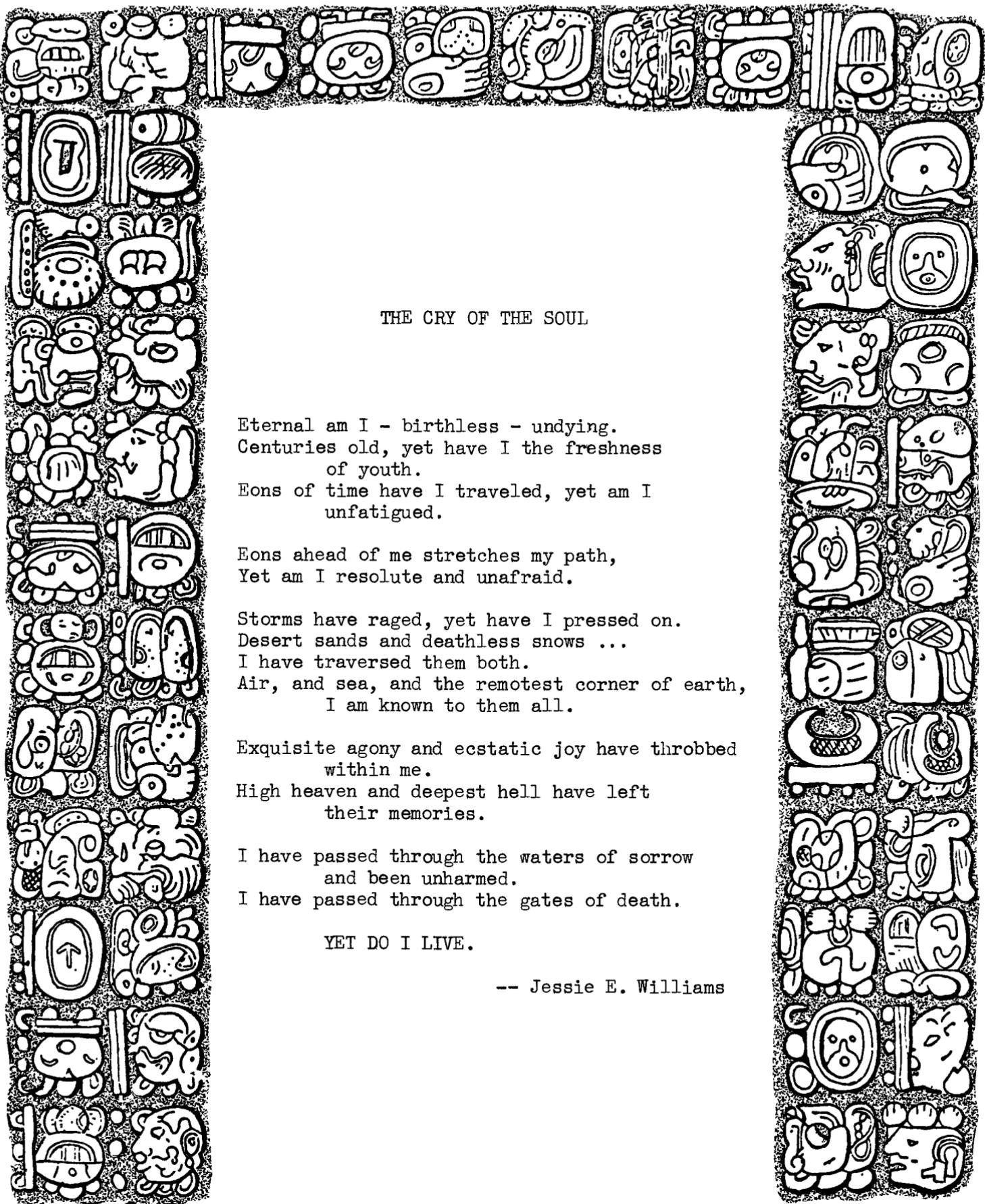
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THE CRY OF THE SOUL

Eternal am I - birthless - undying.  
Centuries old, yet have I the freshness  
of youth.  
Eons of time have I traveled, yet am I  
unfatigued.

Eons ahead of me stretches my path,  
Yet am I resolute and unafraid.

Storms have raged, yet have I pressed on.  
Desert sands and deathless snows ...  
I have traversed them both.  
Air, and sea, and the remotest corner of earth,  
I am known to them all.

Exquisite agony and ecstatic joy have throbbed  
within me.  
High heaven and deepest hell have left  
their memories.

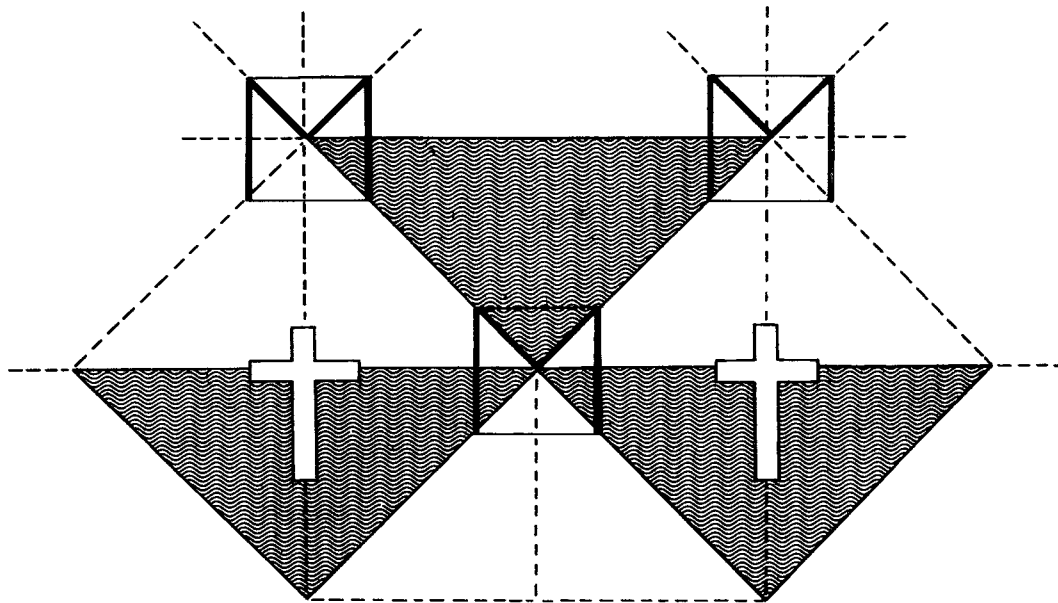
I have passed through the waters of sorrow  
and been unharmed.  
I have passed through the gates of death.

YET DO I LIVE.

-- Jessie E. Williams

# The Twenty-fourth Revelation

CONCERNING YOUR ADVANCEMENT  
AND REBIRTH



"HERE SHALT THOU PLUCK THE MOST PRECIOUS SHELLS,  
THE WHITEST PEARLS OF WISDOM'S TREASURY."

Beloved Companion:

Our Loving Salutations and happy greetings to you. For your receipt of this Revelation indicates that you have completed the preparatory studies for your entrance into the

## 4TH DEGREE OF MAYANRY

As in the first three Degrees which are bestowed in one ceremony, so too do you receive your studies for the 4th and 5th Degrees, and, upon completion of both of these, you receive the Initiatory into this more advanced class.

Your studies are thus recognized, much in the same way as though you were a student in a university or college.

From this point onward, you will receive preparation for the 5th Degree of Mayanry.



You have been told that all Mayan Lessons are designed to instruct through self-revelation rather than by a parrot-like memorizing, or by rote. This follows the original system of the olden mystery schools rather than that used generally in modern teaching methods.

For this reason, nothing need be held back - it can all be placed before you, and let he who will receive the knowledge. Thus, Mayans are not bound by the strict rules of some of the mystery schools of today, where information is withheld or refused, or kept secret and given only to a chosen few. In Mayanry, those who are prepared to grasp the teachings find them revealed - not so much by what is written on these papers as by self-revelation, and to the extent of your intelligent desire to receive does REVELATION come to you.

In your class are some persons who are of advanced schooling and they receive much from the lessons through self-revelation. In your class are others whose schooling has been limited, but who have been admitted because of their natural intelligence, and they too receive much from the lessons by self-revelation. But the extent and degree of all man's wisdom is dependent upon his intelligence, - his freedom to change preconceived notions when the evidence is presented which leads to ideas different from those to which he has been accustomed.

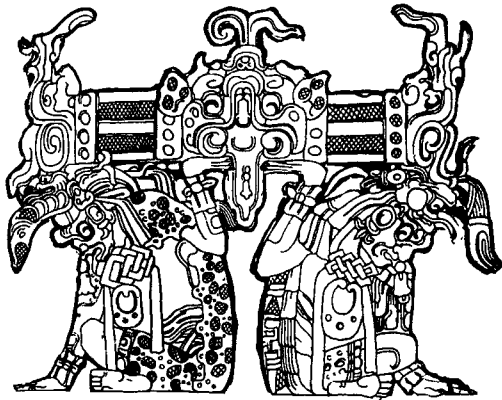
No one can truly be convinced of anything against his will. But the person who clings stubbornly to a thought which his own intelligence tells him is in error, simply because he WILLs to do so, seldom, if ever, attains Wisdom. The Path to Wisdom, as all intelligent souls learn, is open-mindedness. A closed mind is a narrow mind, and in such minds there is no room for intelligence to grow or expand.

For this reason we feel that the Mayan System of Instruction is best. It does not demand that you believe such and such. Rather, it does present thoughts and evidence that appeal to intelligent minds, and lets each member reveal unto himself the same conclusions thought out by wise men before him. And, it assists the growth of the individual's mentality by letting him discover for himself that truth which is taught.

In this way does REVELATION work.

To some, the teachings of Karma may seem strange. Think about it; not just a little, but give it a great deal of thought. As you go deeper and deeper into it, you will see the light of it ever more clearly until its light will shine forth from you; thus do you advance toward becoming one of the illumined.

No thought should be rejected for the sole reason that it is strange. Think how strange modern radio would seem to a cave-man of the unenlightened era. When Christ cast out devils, he was really casting out germs; but the



average mentality of that age could not grasp such a strange idea as the germ theory. The people saw the result and were convinced that something miraculous indeed had occurred, but to them germs were simply evil spirits.

Ages ago, there existed a strange science, very advanced but existing along lines far different from our science of today. It was a science of Nature rather than machinery, and its chief concern was understanding of the gifts God gave to man.

The people of these times were more concerned with the wind that blew through the trees than they were with the question of how much gold could be piled up and stored away.

For the wind had a voice as it caressed the trees and made them grow strong. The wind could be felt even though it was invisible. There was a mystery about the wind - a mystery that also dwelt in man, for man too could expand his lungs and make the same mysterious whispering tones of the wind.

But what mystery was there in gold? Only that it was rare and it was beautiful, and when it shone it reminded one of the sun.



Moo-Lu Ah-Kin was walking one day through the fields. To his left grew cotton, not all of just one color as it is grown today but in various and colorful shades, as it was grown then, through a discovery of Itzamna.

To his right grew great fields of waving maize, and as he walked he came upon the overseer of the cotton field, who was in the act of berating an uninstructed helper for some act of foolishness that had resulted in the production of a crop of

white cotton instead of the red cotton he had desired. "What will you do with him?", asked Moo-Lu Ah-Kin of the overseer.

"Do! Why, he should be banished", replied the overseer. "He should be sent back to the barren hills that he came from - he is too ignorant to be allowed to dwell among us."

"Ah! So? How then, if you do this, shall he ever learn, so he will not be so ignorant all of his life? Know you not that if you deprive him of the benefits of our better way of living that you take upon yourself a Karma which you must work out?"

"Aye, Wise Father," replied the overseer, "Yet what shall I do? He has spoiled this crop of cotton, and if I let him continue, he may spoil another."

"But more years will come and more cotton will grow, will it not, my son?", asked Moo-Lu-Ah-Kin. "What is a cotton plant not tended wisely, compared with a man's soul neglected; - for the soul grows by experience. Back in the barren hills this man's experience would be bitter and bad and, his soul would grow likewise, but here he can gain in wisdom and development and his soul may become better. I recall when you were a youth, you once made a similar error but now you are overseer. You had another chance. Will you not also grant this one another chance?"

"Yes, Wise Father, I will be glad to give this humble one another chance, and if he learns I will advance his duties so that he may learn ever more and more. He will have many chances, so that in time, he, too, may be an overseer like me, or perhaps even more. Yes, Father, he shall have another chance."

And Moo-Lu Ah-Kin, smiling to himself, walked on.



Do you think that our Father gives us also "another chance?" Do you believe that if we commit some error in this little life, our Father of Love would commit us - his children - to everlasting Hell-fire and Damnation? Can YOU believe that?

NO!

We know our Father is just and good. We know that we are part of HIM, that we dwell within His Being, and as He is the All, therefore He is within us in Love. We know, too, that He is Eternal, and if we find our Being - within Him - are we not eternal, too?

If we are of Eternal Life and make some error, can you believe that He does not give us another chance?

There is "something" within each of us, who call ourselves MAYANS, that is yearning toward that which is better. We seek Wisdom and Understanding. We desire illumination. We strive toward a perfection that we sense, yes, we know, exists for man. Yet, we know that perfection is not in this one mortal life.

We know, too, that there are deeds and acts in this imperfect life whose Karma must be worked out. Can this be done in one Mortal life? Can perfection be attained? If not --

WILL OUR GOD IN HIS GRAND SCHEME OF THINGS  
ALLOW US "ANOTHER CHANCE"?

By all that is right and just, we know that He who is Righteousness and Justice itself, must plan it so. If we are confused and make mistakes in this earth life, should we not have "another chance" to do better? That would mean being born again, would it not?

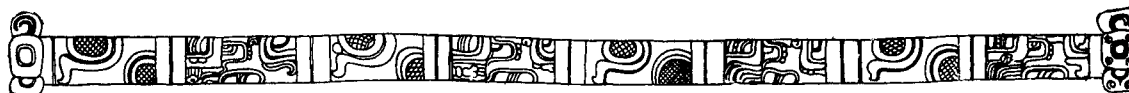
Would it not mean starting over with a clean slate - while we still have the chance to pick up where we left off, before working out our past errors and thus advancing nearer to perfection?

Thus you perceive Rebirth, or Reincarnation, has rightly been called

"THE HOPE OF THE WORLD"

Think about these things, because the 5th Degree, which corresponds to the 5th Point of the Pyramid, has much to do with your future and with your past lives.

Reject nothing that seems strange. Think about it until you are familiar enough with it for the strangeness to disappear. And when it is no longer strange, when you are familiar with it, then you may expect understanding of it to come to you fully.



ONE MORE VERY IMPORTANT POINT:

Let no one tell you that the doctrine of Reincarnation teaches that men come back to earth in the bodies of lesser forms of life -- as beetles, bugs, dogs, or cattle.

This misconception has turned many away from one of the grand teachings of religion.

Be patient and think out what you have learned and that which will be brought before you - and await in faith for enlightenment from your inner wisdom.

For that inner wisdom is the touch of God within that calls you toward the PERFECTION that is His. Yes, my Beloved Companion, like does attract like - in a VERY SPECIAL WAY.

### Some Questions for Self-Examination

1. Have you ever come to a strange place - a place to which you have never been, or seen before, yet had the strongest feeling that you had been there before?
2. Have you ever suddenly come face to face with an utter stranger yet felt so strongly that you knew him that you were completely upset?
3. Could it be that in some previous mortal life, some previous turning of the Wheel of Life, or of your Being, you had been in that place or had known that person?

### Other Life Forms

In the Columbia River, which flows from British Columbia through Idaho, Oregon and Washington, to the Pacific Ocean, salmon come back to spawn and die, from the farthest reaches of the Pacific.

Why do Eels, no matter where they are hatched, seek the Sargasso Sea, far out in the Atlantic Ocean, and probably the oldest part of long lost Atlantis?

Why do birds fly south in the Winter and north in the Spring? Could it be "memory" of the Ice Age?

Why do enlightened men always seek "something better" according to their lights? Why does the painter seek to master his art? - the builder of airplanes seek to go faster and farther? - the rich man to grow richer? - the good man to grow more worthy?

If you lived before on this earth, what sort of person do you feel you were? Come now, give this question some serious thought.

Picture yourself as you really are; consider all your inner urges and impulses; give thought to all the figures you have heard about in history and see if you can feel some impulse of identification with any of them. At the least, this exercise will give you a better idea of what sort of person you are now.

Can you identify, with any of the impulses of migration mentioned above, the impulse that led you to become a Mayan? That is, when joining the Order did you know an inner, undefinable feeling of satisfaction - something like that of GOING HOME?

O, My Companion, Beloved Companion,

We rejoice in you.

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